

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the second full paragraph on page 7 with the following replacement paragraph:

As shown in FIG. 1A, an optical head 1 includes a light source unit 100 which can output laser beams with predetermined wavelengths; an optical system 200 which guides the light emitted from the light source unit 100 to an optical disc D as an information recording medium, and which acts as a branching portion and guides the light returned from the optical disc D in a predetermined direction; and a photodetector 301 which receives the light returned from the optical disc D, and outputs an electric signal corresponding to that light.